

Lines Farm, House
East of Smoketown Road
Sharpsburg Vicinity
Washington County
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Location: East of Smoketown Road, Sharpsburg Vicinity,
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Significance: The Lines House is a good example of a late-nineteenth century vernacular farm dwelling.

Description: This two-story, four-bay brick house is an "L" shaped structure constructed in common bond at all elevations. Resting on a stone foundation, this house has a side gabled roof with an interior brick chimney in the east gable end of the main block. Its windows have segmentally arched tops with two-over-two pane sashes. A shed-roofed porch with heavy turnings shelters the two front doors which are centered in the wall of the front elevation. The rear ell extension has a typical double gallery.

History: Architecturally, this house shows the characteristics of a late-nineteenth century home in Washington county. Some confusion exists however as this house is located near what was thought to be the site of a hospital used after the Civil War Battle of Antietam. According to an Antietam Battlefield marker, this was George Line's house in which General Mansfield died. This may reference a former structure, however, as this house does not appear old enough to have been standing at the time of the battle in 1862.

Sources: Lines Farm, Maryland Historical Trust Inventory
Form for State Historic Site Survey, June, 1978

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